CHARLOTTE

### A War Reporter's Notebook

By Hal Boyle

Or. On the floor Sgt. Kulin is busl-y wrapping up Christmas presents ddressed to his wife. Mary, whit wes at Sait Lake City. Unless santa Claus breaks a propeller Mrs Sulin is going to receive a leather lasseck from French Morocco, some resseck from French Morocco, some

MAVE MAD FUN
"Bisir, Painter and I enlisted to
gether then at San Antonio an
we've flown together ever since,
Kuhn explained. "Dits crew sur
has had some fun."

# ARMIES PURSUE N



# Girl Admits To Slaving

Confesses In Killing Qf Stepfather

an eight-month search,

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Yugoslav Partisans Take Steel

Manufacturing City From Nazis

### Ten More TownsTaken In Advances By Allies

Fifth and Eighth Make Cains

By EDWARD KENNEDY
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiera— (AP)—Allied armies in italy have captured ten more towns in
advances up to five to aix
miles, it was announced today, and German opposition
on the Fifth Army Front diminished as the Nazis apparently fell back to new positions.

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miles in taking Ravicanina, nis
icen miles porth of Gapus, er
also took the town: of Grancolle
and Grancolle
Four other towns besides
Sparanise, and Socchetta,
Four other towns besides
Sejams fet to the British as
clusting Barencelle, a strengpesin
between Compulsors under British
of Rojano, Petrella and Palata,
Lernia, a key noist to Grancolle
Lernia, a

Iseraia, a key point in Germa; upply, was being threatened by he Fifth and Eighth Armies from he south and southeast.

Some German rearguards still of-cied stubborn resistance,

was disclosed that 9 the species gained by the th Army series the Trigme

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### Booff: No Phinan Walkout Ends

# POLAND LINE OF AUG. 23 UKRAIN MELITOPOLS RUMANIA Bucharest Black Sea

RUSSIAN JUGGERNAUT ROLLS—With Melitopol, gateway to the Crimes, already in Soviet hands, the Red Army plunges forward at other points, the latest important city to fall being Dnepropetrovsk. Most of the shaded area is German-held territory, with the battle lines of Aug. 23 and of Sept. 23 showing the progress of the last two months of the Russian effensive that started July 12.

# Tax boost

Committee For Rise of \$6 to \$10 a Gallon

### Fierce Channel Battle Fought

The President Feels

## Vote Liquor 311 Jap Planes Lost In 12 Days

Great Enemy Base of Rabaul Shattered By Mighty Allied Attacks

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC—(AP)—Rabaul, the heart of Japanese air mighthen in the Southwest Pacific, has been completely overpowered and atrewn with the wreckage of 311 planes in four recent daylight assaults by hundreds of General MacArthur's bombers and fighters.

Places Husbands and

Fathers at Bottom List WASHINGTON-P-The House to its long-awaited fling at fath-

Draft Plan Debated

# **Dnieper River** Defense Wall Greatest German Disaster Since Stalingrad May Be In Making

Retreat From

MOSCOW—(AP) — Four hard-hitting Soviet arm today were pursuing the battered legions of Adolf all retreating across southern Russia from the shatte Dnieper River defense wall toward the Bug River, 175 m to the west.

Front dispatches indicate that the badly mauled is forces were waging desperate but futile rearguard has along a 200-mile-long front from Kremenchug south to Sea of Azov, intent only on saving as much as possible is what may prove to be the greatest German disaster as Stalingrad.

The German retreat, accelerated the Coll Rulling of the Musiant capture of the

Scheduled

More Than 45,000

The German retreat, accelerated by the Russians' capture of the industrial cities of Dnepropestrovat

IREAT RETREAT

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Jews Escape From

Back From Cales -In Enemy Evacuation: "Quite A Few" Jap WEATHER

# Subs Sunk Off Kiska